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Applicants: Paul F. Chouinard and Dennis A. Peiffer  
Filed: July 30, 2003  
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Docket No.: BSI-471US1

**RESPONSE**

Mail Stop Amendment  
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Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action dated May 11, 2005, Applicants respectfully request entry of this Response. Applicants contend the above-identified application is in condition for allowance.

☒ **Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 2 of this paper.